

Accepted Clinical Quality Measures Criteria

- Metrics for high prevalence/incidence conditions
- Metrics for ambulatory sensitive conditions (with modifiable risk factors)
- Metrics with substantial opportunities to improve performance
- Metrics that can be reported by PCMHs with minimal interference in usual practice
- Metrics that are consistent with regulatory reporting programs

Quality Metrics Subcommittee Recommendations to the Council

Clinical Quality Measure	Description	Quality Measure Programs
Controlling High Blood Pressure NQF 0018 PQRS 236	Percentage of patients 18-85 years of age who had a diagnosis of hypertension and whose blood pressure was adequately controlled (<140/90mmHg) during the measurement period.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACO • MU • NCQA • PQRS • UDS
Diabetes: HbA1c Poor Control NQF 0059 PQRS 1	Percentage of patients 18-75 of age with diabetes (type 1 or 2) who had HbA1c > 9.0% during the measurement period.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACO • MU • NCQA • PQRS • UDS
Preventive Care and Screening: Tobacco Use: Screening and Cessation Intervention NQF 0028 PQRS 226	Percentage of patients aged 18 years and older who were screened for tobacco use one or more times within 24 months AND who received cessation counseling intervention if identified as a tobacco user.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACO • MU • NCQA • PQRS • UDS
Childhood Immunization Status	Percentage of children who had 4 DTP/DTaP, 3 IPV, 1 MMR, 2 Hib, 3 HepB, 1VZV (Varicella), and 4 Pneumococcal conjugate prior to or on their 3 rd birthday.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Immunization Survey • UDS <p>*Compared to MU, NCQA and PQRS, this measure removes Hep A, rotavirus and influenza immunizations and changes age 2nd to 3rd birthday.</p>

Upcoming Items for Quality Metrics Subcommittee to Address:

- Processes of reporting (EHR vs. manual, sample size, data formatting, etc.)
- Additional metrics including: satisfaction measures, utilization and/or costs savings data